



Docket No. 95-460

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

GRESS et al.

Serial No.: 09/846,225

: Group Art Unit: 2681

Filed: May 2, 2001

: Examiner: (Not Assigned)

For: UNIFIED MESSAGING SYSTEM CONFIGURED FOR CONVERTING SHORT MESSAGE SERVICE MESSAGES TO AUDIBLE MESSAGES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 26 with the following replacement paragraph:

If in step 62 the destination number 50 matches the SMS command processor number, the SMS command processor 24 parses in step 66 the SMS message for the messaging destination number 48 and the messaging command, in this example the text-to-speech messaging command 44. If in step 68 the SMS command processor 24 detects a command other than the text-to-speech command 44 adjacent to the messaging destination 48, the SMS command processor 24 performs the specified SMS processing in step 70. Additional details related to generic SMS processing by the SMS command processor are disclosed in commonly assigned, copending application No. 09/846,224,

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filed May 2, 2001, entitled Unified Messaging System Having Short Message Service Command Processor (Attorney Docket 95-459), the disclosure of which is incorporated in its entirety herein by reference.

REMARKS

Entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested to complete information for the incorporated application identified on page 9 of the specification. Specifically, the specification as originally filed is amended by inserting application no. --09/846,224-- and filing date --May 2, 2001-- as indicated on the attached marked up version of page 9 of the specification as originally filed, where insertions are underlined and deletions are bracketed.

Prompt and favorable consideration of the foregoing are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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MARKED UP VERSION

If in step 62 the destination number 50 matches the SMS command processor number, the SMS command processor 24 parses in step 66 the SMS message for the messaging destination number 48 and the messaging command, in this example the text-to-speech messaging command 44. If in step 68 the SMS command processor 24 detects a command other than the text-to-speech command 44 adjacent to the messaging destination 48, the SMS command processor 24 performs the specified SMS processing in step 70. Additional details related to generic SMS processing by the SMS command processor are disclosed in commonly assigned, copending application No. [09/_____, filed _____,] 09/846,224, filed May 2, 2001, entitled Unified Messaging System Having Short Message Service Command Processor (Attorney Docket 95-459), the disclosure of which is incorporated in its entirety herein by reference.